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Notices of Firms.

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Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13m82

Auctions.

POSTPONEMENT.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 19th of December, 1881, at 12 o'clock Noon, at their Sales Room,

THE ANAMITE STEAMER

"L I - T A . I ."

of about 38,000 Piculs Carrying Capacity.

And,

THE ANAMITE STEAMER

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Hongkong, December 10, 1881. 1d19

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THURSDAY,

the 22nd December, 1881, at 2 p.m., at his Studio, Queen's Road, No. 6, next door to the Chartered Bank,

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TERMS.—As customary.

G. R. LAMMERT,

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Hongkong, December 9, 1881. 1d22

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Hongkong, December 10, 1881.

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Quarts.....\$17 per 1 doz. Case.

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Keep on hand and for Sale, well assorted

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Shipping supplied at the shortest notice with

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FRENCH PLUMS.

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Associated Canned VEGETABLES,

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Fine New-Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in

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BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

SHIPMANUFACTORY of every Description

RIGGING and SAIL-MAKING promptly

executed.

Hongkong, December 8, 1881.

Intimations.

STEAM LAUNCHES ALWAYS ON
HIRE.THE Undersigned, being the Proprietor of the following FIVE STEAM LAUNCHES: named *Cum Sing*, *Cum Shun*, *Cum Chow* and *Cum On*, now lying in Harbour, begs to inform the Public that they are always ready for Hire at a very reasonable and regular Charge either for special purposes or excursions. As regards *Cum Loong*, *Cum Sing*, *Cum Shun* and *Cum Chow*, (with the exception of *Cum On*, which was originally built at the expense of the Undersigned himself) they all belonged to the Company, of which Undersigned and Tung Kee were Partners. Not long ago Tung Kee ceased to share the Responsibility and Interest of the Four LAUNCHES as above mentioned, and received back immediately from the Undersigned the money he had formerly invested.

The Undersigned will hereafter hold the Responsibility and Interest in all Five LAUNCHES in this Colony, without any interference from Tung Kee; in the event of the Business proving remunerative.

In order to prevent future questions arising out of this Advertisement it is specially published by

TO KEE

*In a Wooden House situated at
Praya Central, opposite Scott's Line.**Hongkong, November 26, 1881.*

Intimations.

from the results hitherto obtained, it may be confidently anticipated that supporters of the New Company, as surplus profits will now be divided amongst all contributors of business, will receive a handsome return on the Premium paid by them.

For the convenience of Shareholders, arrangements will be made for the transfer of Shares in London, as well as in Hongkong, and for their registration by the Company at the Head Office in Hongkong.

It is proposed to offer Shareholders in the Old Office a preferential Allotment of Shares in the New Company to the extent of their present interest in the Capital.

Applications for Shares should be addressed to the General Agents direct or through the several Agencies of the Old Office, in the annexed list, and will be received in Hongkong, Shanghai and London until Saturday, the 24th instant, at noon.

The only Contract entered into by the Company, is one with Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., as General Agents.

Copies of the above Contract, and of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, may be inspected at the offices of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., and of Messrs

BEDFORD & WOTTON, Solicitors to the Company.

December 18, 1881.

To MESSRS JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents of The Canton Insurance
Office, Limited, Hongkong, October 4, 1880.CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

Incorporated in Hongkong under the Companys Ordinance of 1865, limiting the Liability of the Shareholders to the amount of their Shares.

DATE OF FORMATION AS AN UNLIMITED COMPANY, A.D. 1836.

CAPITAL.....\$2,500,000.

In 10,000 Shares of \$250 per Share, \$50 per Share being paid up, viz: \$10 on Application, and \$40 on Allotment.

No further calls are intended to be made.

Applications for Shares will be received simultaneously in Hongkong, Shanghai, and London.

Consulting Committee.

The Hon. P. Rynte, of Messrs Turner & Co.

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Bankers.

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Auditors.

A. P. MACEWEN, Esq.

HENRY SWINN, Esq.

General Agents.

MESSRS JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Hongkong.

PROSPECTUS.

A GENERAL desire having been ex-

pressed in favour of forming a Limited Company of the old established CHINA MARINE INSURANCE OFFICE, known as THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, it has been decided to constitute a New Office, to commence business on 1st January, 1882, under the general management of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., of China.

All accounts relating to the Old Office will be closed to the 31st December, 1881, and the Office wound up, no liability whatever being taken over for outstanding risks or otherwise, by the New Company. The Company, however, will be at liberty to accept as re-insurance, any of the outstanding risks of the Old Office which they may deem advisable.

The business of the Office will be Marine Insurance in all its branches, as shown in the Memorandum of Association, and the change of constitution now effected has been made with a view of dividing the chief share of the profits amongst all contributors of Premium, instead of the whole profits as heretofore, as heretofore, amongst Shareholders only.

2. In the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund of \$500,000 (Five hundred thousand Dollars).

3. In making a return to all contributors of premium, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the amounts of premium paid.

The Reserve Fund will be formed by annual appropriations of not more than 30 per cent. of the profits of the year, after payment of a 10 per cent. dividend to Shareholders.

The interest accruing on the Reserve Fund will be

on Crown Lands. Sixty-six of these cases were opened before the Magistrates this morning, when formal evidence in the matter was given by Inspector Thomson, and they were remanded till to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

The *Vigilant*, 2, Despatch vessel, Lieutenant and Commander C. Lindsay, arrived here from Chusan this morning. She left Chusan at six o'clock on Tuesday morning, and reported that the Detached Squadron was to leave that port for Amoy, at nine o'clock on the same morning. It is expected that Rear-Admiral the Earl of Clanwilliam will leave here for home by mail steamer for England on account of a recent illness from which he is just recovered; and the squadron will probably disperse on arrival at Singapore, the several vessels finding their way home independently. The squadron will, we understand, leave Amoy to-morrow, and their arrival here may be expected on Monday next.

The following extract from the Temperance Union, as to the establishment of the Sailor's Rest in Shanghai, is of interest in connection with the correspondence published in our columns a short time ago:—

"The Sailor's Rest, we are glad to learn, is proving itself to be in fact what it is in name. During the week many of our leading residents have expressed their sympathy with the object by giving small donations to meet the expense largely incurred in adding a hall for public meetings. There can be no doubt the place is admirably situated for the object intended, and if discreetly conducted, will supply a place long needed in Hongkew, where Jack can get a cheap meal, pass a pleasant hour, and be free from the temptations of grog. We understand that a temporary meeting will be held there next Thursday, when residents and sailors will unite to make a pleasant opening. The Rev. G. Fitch will give an address."

Law Notice.
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
(In Registrar's Chambers.)
IN BANKRUPTCY.—Saturday, 17th Dec., 11 a.m.—In the matter of Dharmadas Dasmoum, a bankrupt, adjourned Dividend Meeting.

SUPREME COURT.
IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.
(Before His Honour the Acting Puisne Judge, J. Russell, Esq.)
Friday, Dec. 16.

LO ACHING v. STILWELL, (837).—Plaintiff in this case sued for \$37 as remuneration for work done in the defendant's studio. Defendant admitted \$28 of the claim, but said that this was too much for the work done. He had consulted his friends, and they were of opinion that the charge was excessive. His Lordship said he would ask Mr Alford to look at the work, and give him an estimate of how much it ought to cost. The work had been done, and it was only a question of what was fair charge. In the afternoon, after professional opinion had been got, plaintiff was awarded \$23.

CHASTEL v. LAI PO, (\$100).—Plaintiff alleged that he had sold to defendant, on the 19th of October, 25 reams of printing paper at \$4 a ream, delivery to be made within one month, and cash to be paid on delivery. Defendant denied the purchase, and said that all that was done was that he promised to take the paper if he had sufficient money to pay for it. It was ultimately agreed that the case should be adjourned until Monday, so as to give defendant an opportunity of taking over and paying for the goods.

ALMADA v. CASTRO v. Ip TSUN.—This case was adjourned from Monday 12th Dec. again came up. Inspector Cameron gave evidence to the injury done to defendant to the felling of the sea wall, and also the destruction of several large trees. Mr Wotton for the plaintiff said that the sum sued for had been mitigated from \$300 to \$100, but his Lordship declined to give judgment in the matter until Mr Ford had made an estimate as to the value of the trees destroyed.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
(Before the Hon. F. Snowden, Acting Chief Justice.)

IN THE CASE OF FERDINAND ALBERT CARL EHN.
The final examination of this bankrupt was adjourned last week so as to enable evidence to be heard as to certain items which he had set down in his accounts on the second examination which on the first he had not entered, (money paid or due to Mr Peter Smith who holds a bill of sale over the furniture, &c.). The Registrar to-day examined Mr and Mrs Smith as to the items, which were made up of loans, money paid for bankrupt, and charges for provisions, &c. His Lordship said their statements were satisfactory. Addressing the bankrupt, his Lordship said the Registrar had examined Mr and Mrs Smith, and they had given an account of the advances which was satisfactory to Mr Sangster, and therefore he (His Lordship) saw no reason why he should not allow the bankrupt to pass his final examination. The accounts showed that his method of carrying on business was not satisfactory at all. It seemed that he had carried it on the money advanced by Mr and Mrs Smith. He had got a lot of bad debts, and the result was that there were no assets worth speaking of. His Lordship did not see that any advantage could be derived from not allowing him to pass his last examination, therefore he could pass it now, but he must assist in every possible way in getting in the estate, and his services must be at the disposal of Mr Sangster.

Police Intelligence.
(Before H. H. Weddhouse, Esq.)

Friday, Dec. 16.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.
Philip Arthur, seaman of H.M.S. *Aber-* rose, was charged with the unlawful possession of two pairs of silk trousers on the 15th instant.

Chen Ting Fong, a sailor residing at No. 163 Queen's Road, East, and the two pairs of trousers in Court were his property. He identified them by his shop which was there. They were worth \$10.

Chen Iam Shu, a tailor in the employ of last witness, said that yesterday afternoon four or five sailors came into the shop and said they wanted to make some purchases. They looked at a lot of things, but after a time left without buying anything. Later on the defendant came by himself

and offered a pair of new trousers for sale. He wanted \$3 for them, but witness would not do it. He then brought out two pairs and offered them for \$5. On witness examining the trousers, he found his master's chop upon them, and he retained possession of the trousers, telling defendant to come back at six o'clock when he would receive payment for them, as the master was then out. Defendant coming back at that hour, his master told him that he must give up the two pairs of trousers or he would be given into custody. This he would not do, and a policeman was sent for. The trousers were first missed about three o'clock, soon after the first visit of the sailors. They were intended for some American sailors, and it was when they were taken to them that they were passed. Witness had no difficulty in identifying defendant as one of the men who came on the first occasion. He pretended to be drunk when witness did not know whether the other sailors who came the first time had anything to do with this affair.

P. C. 3, John Lyons, said he was sent to first witness's shop yesterday evening in company with the defendant. When they arrived there he pointed to a pair of English-made trousers and said they were

much resembled a pair that belonged to him. He had previously said at the station that the two pairs of trousers he had tried to sell were English made and he could not find them out. He could not swear to the trousers he had pointed out, but he said they wore like his. He looked about the shop, but could not find any English-made trousers, although there was American cloth clothing.

Defendant said that he went to complainant's shop yesterday evening with two pairs of trousers belonging to himself, which he offered for sale. On going back at six o'clock for the money according to appointment, instead of paying him the amount agreed on there gave him back two pairs of American cloth trousers and said they did not want to buy them. These he declined to take as they were not the trousers he had left there. The ones he took to the shop were English made, but he told him they had no English-made clothes in the shop.

Constable Lyons, recalled, said he had joined the shop carefully but could find no English cloth trousers there except the ones which defendant said resembled his.

Chen Lam Shu, recalled, said the two pairs of trousers the defendant brought to the shop to sell had been there before he came on the first occasion. They had just been finished and were ready to go out. They had been placed on top of a box, against which the sailors had been leaning. Witness did not see any one take the trousers away, and they were not missed for two hours after the men had gone.

The typhoon seems to be reluctant to come for the year 1881. On the 10th the Rev. Father Faure observed a fall in the barometrical column; although nothing alarming could be predicted at the time the falling barometer caused some surprise. Yesterday (11th) the instrument was still falling; the observations of the Rev. Father Faure were to the following effect:—The day broke with signs of an approaching typhoon from the E.S.E. In view of this, we were sent abroad to avoid disaster, which might occur on such occasions. The wind was steady from N. and N.E. during the whole day, but the barometer was very irregular in its movements. At 7 p.m. the Barometer was falling rapidly, and between 10 and 12 midnight it fell so rapidly that something like a fall of 2 millimeters was observed each hour. The wind by this time was blowing with violence from N.W. with oscillations to N.W. and N.E., and continued in this direction till 4 o'clock in the morning of the 12th, when it rapidly veered to E. and E.S.E., when the Barometer began to rise. The wind never reached hurricane force, though there were gales, between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. of the 12th of 30 meters per second. The vortex of the typhoon passed to the South of Manila, but pretty close; consequently the provinces which will suffer most are those to the South, up to Batangas and Tayabas, the quantity of water collected in the pluviometers was 70 millimeters. The steamer *Zetna* and *Soreng*, whose arrival was expected, the former on the 10th, and the latter on the 11th, have not yet turned up. They probably have taken refuge in some of the neighbouring bays.

NO LIGHT OR GAS.
Tsang A Hi, a coolie, was charged with being found in the public street at a late hour last night without either a light or pass.

Defendant admitted the charge but made a statement as to why he was out at that hour, which was proved by the constable to be untrue. He was found inside a building in course of erection.

Three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

Frederick Metz, a seaman unemployed, was summoned by Frederick Linde, proprietor of the Star Hotel, for being drunk and incapable language to him on the 14th instant, calculated to occasion a breach of the peace.

Marie Linde said that about half past ten on Wednesday night the constable came into the house, and, in a loud voice, told the proprietor that he had no business to serve the people who were at the bar. The only persons there were three men who had just come in. The house was quiet and she ordered him out. He did not use any bad language nor threaten to beat her, and she was not frightened. His Worship discharged the case.

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Defendant—I did not see the drunkard drinking the liquor they had supplied him.

P.C. 613, Peal Bhoy, gave corroborative evidence.

Defendant said he did not serve any liquor to the drunken man. He remembered the three men coming in. Two of them were sober and he supplied them, but one of them upset his glass and it was being refilled when they brought out foreign coins which he refused to take, and he took the drink from them in consequence, and none of the men had anything in his establishment.

The Constable, recalled, said that the men did have liquor, and it was only the second round which they had called for which was not served; and that was also, after the witness had interfered in the matter.

Peal Bhoy, also recalled, said he distinctly saw the defendant serve three drinks. There was no possibility of mistake as the man being drunk.

Defendant admitted having been fined \$10 about four months ago for keeping a disorderly house.

The further hearing of the case was remanded till eleven o'clock to-morrow morning.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE LAND MANIA IN HONGKONG.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Dec. 16, 1881.

SIR,—On the 26th of May last I had the pleasure to address you on the above subject; and in the course of my remarks cast some doubts upon the reliability of the land sales reported as then taking place, and questioned the permanency of the rapid strides property was then said to be making.

I need not remind you that the views which I then expressed were seriously called in question shortly after, that an official list correcting in some particulars that which you had published and which I had ventured to criticise, was printed in the *Government Gazette* of 4th June, and the view was enunciated on high authority, that the advance was real and permanent. Such is not, I regret to say, the experience of the present time, and the following note of two land sales by Public Auction which took place this afternoon is both interesting and instructive.

(1) Sub-section No. 1 of Section D. of Inland lot 202, situated in Queen's Road, and Jervois Street, containing 1,383 square feet more or less, was bought in the sum of \$36,500. It was sold to-day for \$20,500, showing a clear loss of \$16,000 or 41%. Land in a worse situation was sold a few weeks since at \$16,000 per foot; that sold to-day was bought at \$26,000 and sold at \$14,000 per foot.

(2) Inland Lot 225, situated at the bottom of West Street, Tai-ping-shan, and with an auctioneer's throw of Queen's Road, was bought a few months since for \$18,000 and sold to-day at \$9,500. It contains 1,620 square feet more or less, and was bought at \$16,000 per square foot and sold for \$6,000, giving a clear loss of \$8,500 or 47%.

Yours faithfully,
R. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c., &c.

Manila.

(Translated from our Manila Exchange.)

Some unusual occurrence must have taken place on board the steamer *Nouvelle Bretagne*, belonging to the new Colony of Marquis de Rais (Port Broton), as when the vessel was about to leave Manila for Port Broton via Mariana, she was ordered by the authorities of Binondo to be detained. According to *El Comercio* the passengers who were on board for both ports were subsequently landed. What was the cause of the detention was, is not known, but we shall hear soon about the matter.

The typhoon seems to be reluctant to come for the year 1881. On the 10th the Rev. Father Faure observed a fall in the barometrical column; although nothing alarming could be predicted at the time the falling barometer caused some surprise. Yesterday (11th) the instrument was still falling; the observations of the Rev. Father Faure were to the following effect:—The day broke with signs of an approaching typhoon from the E.S.E. In view of this, we were sent abroad to avoid disaster, which might occur on such occasions. The wind was steady from N. and N.E. during the whole day, but the barometer was very irregular in its movements. At 7 p.m. the Barometer was falling rapidly, and between 10 and 12 midnight it fell so rapidly that something like a fall of 2 millimeters was observed each hour. The wind by this time was blowing with violence from N.W. with oscillations to N.W. and N.E., and continued in this direction till 4 o'clock in the morning of the 12th, when it rapidly veered to E. and E.S.E., when the Barometer began to rise. The wind never reached hurricane force, though there were gales, between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. of the 12th of 30 meters per second.

The vortex of the typhoon passed to the South of Manila, but pretty close; consequently the provinces which will suffer most are those to the South, up to Batangas and Tayabas, the quantity of water collected in the pluviometers was 70 millimeters.

The steamer *Zetna* and *Soreng*, whose arrival was expected, the former on the 10th, and the latter on the 11th, have not yet turned up. They probably have

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(AMOY.)

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AERO.
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PORT LOUIS.

ON MONDAY, the 19th of December, 1881, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *Djemnaï*, Commandant de Boussole Baron, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London, well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon of 18th December.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Packages until 3 p.m., on the 18th December, 1881. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 6, 1881. dec19



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H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 13, 1881. dec23

Visitors' Column.

We have instituted as an experiment a *Visitors' Column*, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. To it will be relegated from time to time such items of information, lists, tables and other intelligence as is considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened

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the Parade Ground.

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Street.

Union Church, Elgin Street.

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Ss. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden
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Temperance Hall, specially adapted for
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E. A. and China Telegraph Co., and
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